

REMARKS

The Office Action states that Applicant's reply filed on March 4, 2003 was not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because: 1) The claims filed on March 4, 2003 were not in proper reissue format; 2) The claim originally numbered 80 in Applicant's preliminary amendment, which was renumbered as Claim 65, was omitted in Applicant's reply filed on March 4, 2003 without proper discussion of the omission required under 37 CFR §1.111.

Claim 65 was mistakenly omitted in Applicant's reply filed on March 4, 2003, and is presently resubmitted in the Claims submitted herein. The omission of Claim 65 was inadvertent and should not be construed to be an attempt to overcome any prior art rejection of, or any objection to, any claim submitted in the prosecution of the Reissue Application thus far.

Furthermore, the presently submitted claims are in proper reissue format under 37 CFR §1.173 (b) and (d).

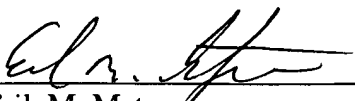
Applicant, therefore, respectfully submits that the presently submitted Claims are in proper form for allowance.

If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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